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C O N F I D E N T I A L BERN 1942

FOR L - BROWER/ FELDMAN/ HUFFMAN FROM GAITHER

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: CIVAIR: AIR SECURITY CONSULTATIONS - SWITZERLAND

1. AT EMBASSY REQUEST, MEETING ARRANGED WITH GULDIMANN TO DISCUSS AIR SECURITY CONVENTION WITH GAITHER (L). ALSO PRESENT WERE BUCHMILLER, ECONCOUNS BLAKE AND EMBOFF SPILLANE. MEETING BRIEF DUE TO GULDIMANN' S SCHEDULE. IT APPARENT THAT GULDIMANN ' S SERIOUS ILLNESS IS LIMITING HIS INVOLVEMENT IN SUCH MATTERS.

2. SWISS CONFIRMED MEETING WITH KEAN (UK) IN ZURICH AMD INDICATED THEY WILL MEET GUILLAUME IN PARIS MAY 18. SWISS WILL CO- SPONSOR AMENDMENT TO UK/ SWISS AND FRENCH PROPOSALS AND INDICATED PROPOSAL HAS UK AND FRENCH CONFIDENTIAL

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GOVERNMENTAL ACCEPTANCE AND INFERRED SWISS ACCEPTANCE AS WELL. EXPRESSED ASTONISHMENT THAT UK HAD NOT GIVEN US TEXT AND INITIALLY OFFERED TO DO SO BUT DID NOT SINCE UK HAD NOT. STATED THEY WOULD DO SO AFTER MAY 18

ALTHOUGH ASSUMED TEXT ALREADY SENT ICAO FOR DISTRIBUTION.

3. SWISS INDICATED THEIR INITIAL PREFERENCE AT MONTREAL LEGAL COMMITTEE MEETING FOR UK PROPOSAL BASED ON ITS WIDE ACCEPTABILITY WHICH THEY FELT PREREQUISITE FOR ANY SUCH AGREEMENT. THEY ACKNOWLEDGED RATIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF PRESENT AMENDMENT SWISS/ UK AND FRENCH PROPOSALS WOULD TAKE TIME AND STATED THEY HAD SUGGESTED TO KEAN ADVISABILITY OF USING NORDIC PROPOSAL AS INTERIM MEASURE. STATED KEAN STRONGLY OPPOSED SUCH RESULT.

4. SWISS CONTINUE TO PREFER UK " SANCTION" OF AMENDED 87(B) AND INDICATED THEY WOULD SUPPORT IT AT ROME AND PRESS FOR IT DIPLOMATICALLY BETWEEN NOW AND ROME.

5. SWISS NOTED MAY 18 MEETING WITH GUILLAUME WOULD BE USED DISCUSS PROCEDURAL ASPECTS OF DIPLOMATIC EFFORT GAIN ACCEPTANCE AMENDED PROPOSAL. THEY HAVE AND WILL PRESS UK AND FRENCH TO WORK WITH US AND NORDICS.

6. ON PROCEDURE, GULDIMANN EXPRESSED VIEW TWO CHAIRMEN ESSENTIAL AND NOTED KEAN PRESSING FOR DIALLO (SENEGAL). SWISS WILL SUPPORT ALTERNATE DAYS FOR MEETINGS PER COUNCIL DECISION. RITTER TO HEAD SWISS DEL. GULDIMANN UNABLE TO ATTEND DUE TO HEALTH.

7. SWISS SUGGESTED IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR US TO CONSULT WITH SOVIETS AND ASKED IF WE HAD. GAITHER STATED WE PLANNED TO, BUT DID NOT KNOW IF APPROACH HAD YET BEEN MADE. BOTH SIDES AGREED IT NECESSARY TO REACH PRIOR AGREEMENT ON PROCEDURE TO AVOID LENGTHY MONTREAL-TYPE DEBATES ON PROCEDURE.

8. SWISS EXPRESSED DESIRE MEET WITH GAITHER AFTER MAY 18 PARIS MEETING. GAITHER INDICATED WILLINGNESS AND EXPRESSED HOPE DEPARTMENT WOULD HAVE RECEIVED FRENCH/ SWISS/ UK AMENDED PROPOSAL BY THAT TIME THOUGH CONFIDENTIAL

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NOTED WE WOULD NOT YET HAVE RECEIVED NORDIC AMENDMENTS.
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